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Lincoln Home Shows Two Videos about National Parks That Commemorate Women's Struggle for Civil Rights

SPRINGFIELD, IL: This year Lincoln Home National Historic Site joins other parks and partners across the country to observe the 100th birthday of the National Park Service (NPS). Lincoln Home is one of over 400 National Parks in the United States. As a way to celebrate the NPS centennial, Lincoln Home staff will show a variety of National Park movies throughout the year.

In honor of National Women's History month, at 2:00pm, on Saturday March 26, two movies about National Parks that tell the story of the women's civil rights movement in the U.S. will be shown in Lincoln Home's Visitor Center Theater. During World War II many people throughout the United States worked in factories to make wartime supplies and in shipyards to build ships. The 15-minute documentary "Rosie the Riveter: Home Front Heroes: United We Can Win!" describes the significant contribution that women and minorities made on the home front during World War II by taking jobs at the Richmond, CA shipyards. In the year 2000 a National Park "Rosie the Riveter WWII Home Front National Historical Park" was established in Richmond CA as a place where people can learn about the struggle of women and minorities had when applying for and taking wartime jobs that were traditionally held by white males.

The second movie "Dreams of Equality" shows a reenactment of the First Women's Rights Convention held in 1848 and the history of the civil rights movement for women. Women's Rights National Historical Park in Seneca Falls, New York, commemorates this movement.

Besides showing National Park movies, the other Centennial activities that visitors to Lincoln Home can participate in are:

- completing the Centennial Junior Ranger activity book and earning a Centennial badge,
- browsing the bookstore for centennial sales items, and
- earning a free Every Kid in a Park pass (for fourth graders and equivalent aged home schoolers) when children bring to the park a printed voucher that shows they completed the required on-line activity at www.everykidinapark.gov/

Throughout the year additional exhibits, events and programs will be announced as they are developed.

For information about National Parks and national centennial events visit the website, FindYourPark.com and www.nps.gov/2016/. For more information about Lincoln Home events and displays, contact the Lincoln Home Visitor Center at 217-391-3221 or 217-492-4241.

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